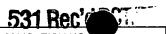
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ENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE FORM PTO-1390 (Modified) REV 11-2000) 19036/37906 TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES U.S. APPLICATION NO. (IF KNOWN, SEE 37 CFR DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED PCT/JP01/01338 23 February 2001 28 February 2000 TITLE OF INVENTION PROGRAM-DISTRIBUTABLE COMBINATION WEIGHING APPARATUS AND PROGRAM-DISTRIBUTABLE COMBINATION WEIGHING SYSTEM APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Kazuhiko Yamashita, et al. Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. .2. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include itens (5), (6), 3. (9) and (24) indicated below. 4. The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (Article 31). 5. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c) (2)) is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. 🛛 has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. 🗆 is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). \boxtimes b. 🗆 has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). O7 Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)) a. 🗆 are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. 🗆 have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. 🗆 have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. 🛛 have not been made and will not be made. L An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9 \boxtimes An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)). 110. An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)). 11. A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409). A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210). Items 13 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: 13. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 14. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. \boxtimes 15. A FIRST preliminary amendment. 16. A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. 17. A substitute specification. 18. A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. 19. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821 - 1.825. 20. A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 21. A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). \boxtimes 22. Certificate of Mailing by Express Mail

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